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Our individual residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to our names.

We believe we are the original, first and joint inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled "Integrated Tilt/Sash Lock Assembly," the Specification of which was filed on December 26, 2003 as United States Application Number 10/747,859.

We hereby state that we have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified Specification, including the Claims.

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Prior Foreign Application(s)

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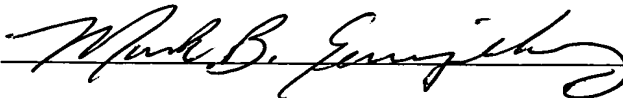


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